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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

ICHIRO TANAKA)

Application No.: 09/654,038)

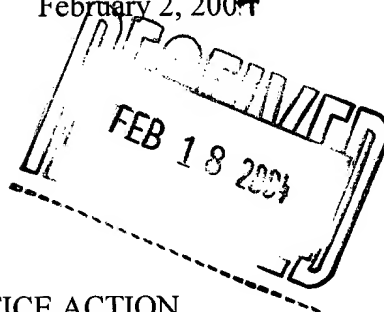
Filed: September 1, 2000)

For: TWO-DIMENSIONAL PHASE
ELEMENT AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME.)

: Examiner: Stephen D. Rosasco

: Group Art Unit: 1756

February 2, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the allowability of the claims for the reasons set forth herein.

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